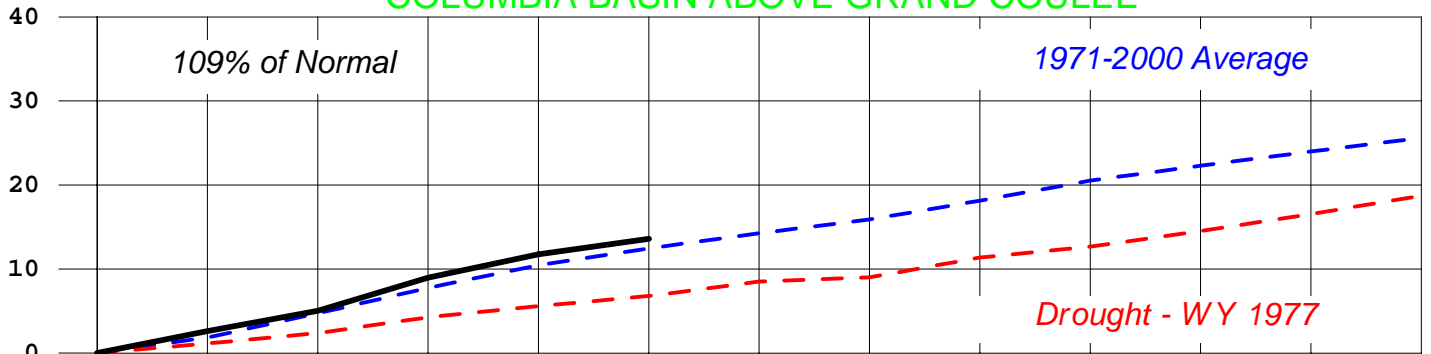
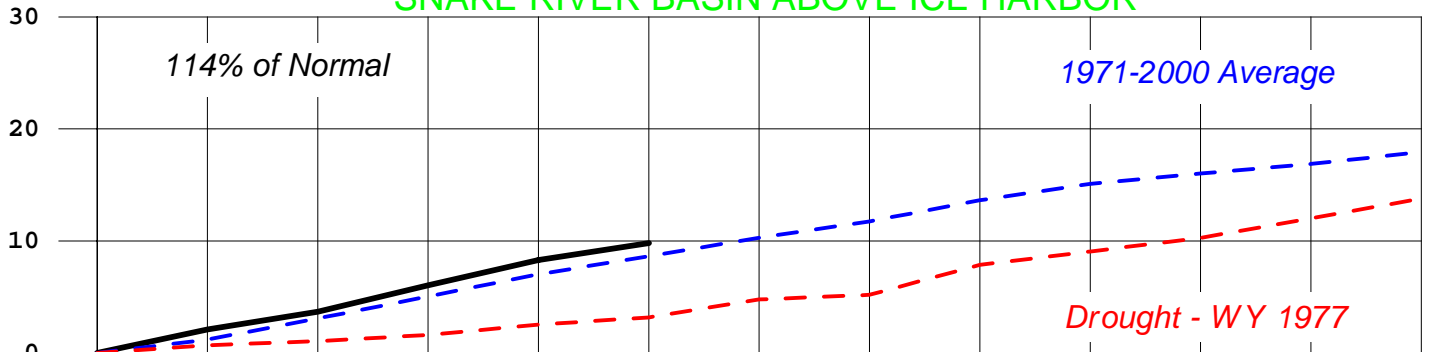


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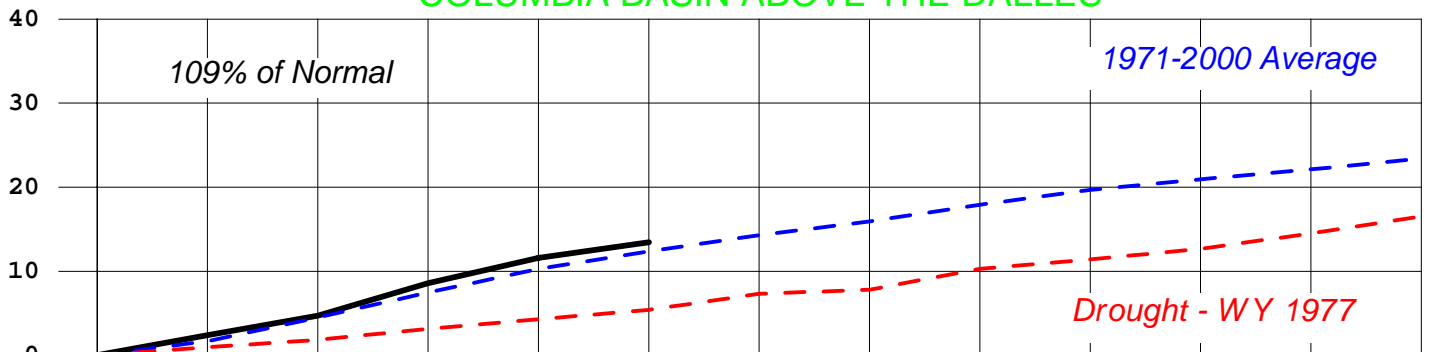
COLUMBIA BASIN ABOVE GRAND COULEE



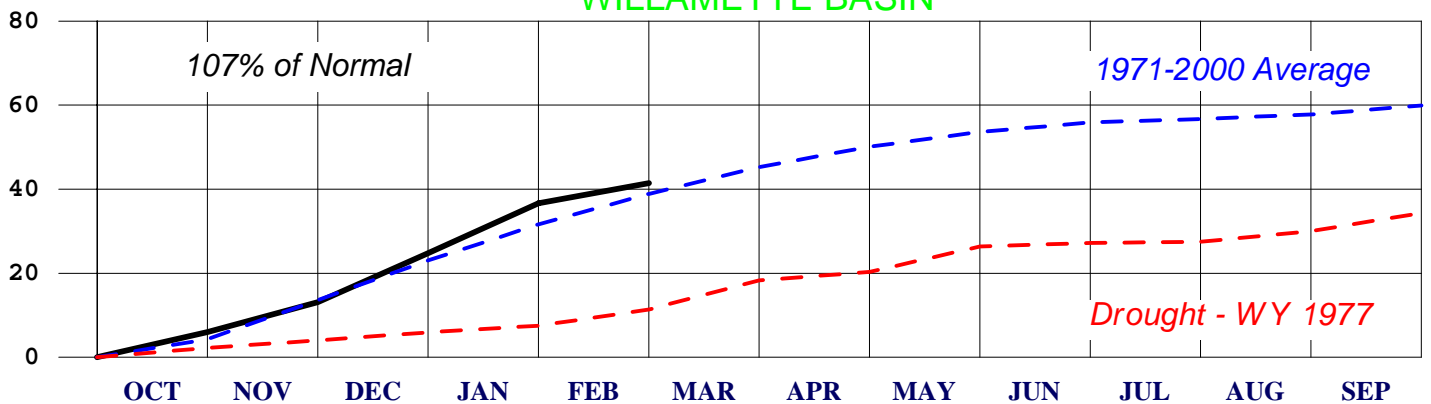
SNAKE RIVER BASIN ABOVE ICE HARBOR



COLUMBIA BASIN ABOVE THE DALLES



WILLAMETTE BASIN



ROGUE/ UMPQUA	2.16	-1.73	55.	26.10	3.03	113.
KLAMATH BASIN	0.98	-0.87	53.	12.33	1.02	109.
LAKE COUNTY-GOOSE LAKE	0.51	-0.54	49.	5.76	-0.42	93.
HARNEY/ MALHEUR BASIN	0.77	-0.07	91.	5.62	0.30	106.

This precipitation summary for the Columbia River Basin is based on analysis using a limited number of reporting stations. Final values depicted in this narrative are prorated by the number of elapsed days in the month.

Precipitation normals are based on 1971-2000 historical data.

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Monthly Divisional Precipitation Summary

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COLUMBIA BASIN SEASONAL PRECIPITATION DIVISION AVERAGES NORTHWEST RIVER FORECAST CENTER

(MONTHLY SUMMARY - FEB 2008)

DIVISION	..FEB TO DAY 29..			OCT - FEB....		
	OBSD	DEP	PCT	AV	OBSD	DEP	PCT
COLUMBIA ABOVE COULEE	1.83	-0.17	92.		13.59	1.13	109.
SNAKE RV AB ICE HARBOR	1.52	-0.09	94.		9.81	1.17	114.
COLUMBIA AB THE DALLES	1.88	-0.23	89.		13.45	1.08	109.
COLUMBIA AB CASTLEGAR	2.83	0.00	100.		19.48	1.52	108.
KOOTENAI	1.65	-0.29	85.		13.17	0.36	103.
CLARK FORK	1.80	0.49	137.		9.17	1.38	118.
FLATHEAD	1.54	-0.22	88.		10.59	0.04	100.
PEND OREILLE/ SPOKANE	2.12	-0.92	70.		19.28	1.86	111.
NORTHEAST WASHINGTON	0.69	-0.90	44.		8.85	-0.35	96.
OKANOGAN	0.78	-0.59	57.		7.94	0.08	101.
EAST SLOPES WASH CASC.	3.90	-1.03	79.		27.62	-0.54	98.
CENTRAL WASHINGTON	0.48	-0.38	56.		4.08	-1.00	80.
UPPER SNAKE	2.45	0.69	139.		12.81	3.20	133.
SNAKE RIVER PLAIN	0.83	-0.05	94.		4.90	-0.08	98.
OWYHEE/ MALHEUR	0.91	-0.09	91.		5.39	-0.03	99.
SALMON/ BOISE/ PAYETTE	2.01	-0.05	98.		12.87	2.04	119.
BURNT/ GRANDE RONDE	1.00	-0.40	71.		9.18	0.96	112.
CLEARWATER	3.02	0.15	105.		16.91	1.10	107.
SOUTHEAST WASHINGTON	1.10	-0.85	56.		9.82	-0.75	93.
UPPER JOHN DAY	0.77	-0.44	64.		8.23	0.94	113.
UMATILLA/ LWR JOHN DAY	1.50	-0.07	96.		10.98	2.25	126.
UPR DESCHUTES/ CROOKED	0.99	-0.53	65.		9.22	0.64	107.

HOOD/ LOWER DESCHUTES	2.98	-0.45	87.	21.47	2.64	114.
NW SLOPE WASH CASCADES	9.07	-0.72	93.	51.64	-5.17	91.
SW WA CASCADES/COWLITZ	6.66	-1.75	79.	43.67	-2.72	94.
WILLAMETTE VALLEY	4.79	-2.46	66.	41.47	2.59	107.
ROGUE/ UMPQUA	2.48	-2.04	55.	26.42	2.73	112.
KLAMATH BASIN	1.54	-0.60	72.	12.90	1.29	111.
LAKE COUNTY-GOOSE LAKE	0.46	-0.75	38.	5.71	-0.64	90.
HARNEY/ MALHEUR BASIN	0.57	-0.41	58.	5.41	-0.04	99.

COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN DIVISION VALUES ARE COMPUTED BY UTILIZING UN-WEIGHTED PRECIPITATION AMOUNTS FROM KEY STATIONS IN EACH AREA. PRECIPITATION NORMALS ARE BASED ON 1971-2000 HISTORICAL DATA.

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FEBRUARY 2008 WAS IN GENERAL A FAIRLY UNEVENTFUL MONTH FOR THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. PERSISTENT RIDGING JUST OFF THE WASHINGTON AND OREGON COAST KEPT MOST AREAS DRIER THAN NORMAL. ONE SIGNIFICANT EXCEPTION TO THIS WAS NEAR THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE, WHERE PERSISTENT COOL AND MOIST NORTHWESTERLY FLOW GENERATED PERSISTENT SNOWFALL IN THE HEADWATERS AREAS.

FEBRUARY PRECIPITATION WAS: 92 PERCENT OF NORMAL (1971-2000) AT COLUMBIA ABOVE COULEE, 94 PERCENT OF NORMAL AT THE SNAKE RIVER ICE HARBOR, AND 89 PERCENT OF NORMAL AT COLUMBIA ABOVE THE DALLES.

SEASONAL (OCTOBER THROUGH FEBRUARY) PRECIPITATION WAS: 109 PERCENT OF NORMAL (1971-2000) AT COLUMBIA ABOVE COULEE, 114 PERCENT OF NORMAL AT THE SNAKE RIVER ABOVE ICE HARBOR, AND 109 PERCENT OF NORMAL AT COLUMBIA ABOVE THE DALLES.

LISTED BELOW IS AN UNOFFICIAL SUMMARY OF NEW PRECIPITATION RECORDS REPORTED BY NWS FORECAST OFFICES DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2008. FOR OFFICIAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FORECAST OFFICE OR THE NATIONAL CLIMATIC DATA CENTER.

DAILY MAXIMUM PRECIPITATION RECORDS

ON FEBRUARY 3, 2008:

LOCATION	NEW RECORD	PREVIOUS RECORD
GOLDENDALE, WA	0.45 INCHES	0.38 INCHES IN 1963
YAKIMA, WA	0.44 INCHES	0.37 INCHES IN 1998
SUNNYSIDE, WA	0.33 INCHES	0.22 INCHES IN 1998
IDAHO FALLS, ID	0.20 INCHES	0.17 INCHES IN 1961
WHITMAN MISSION, WA	0.15 INCHES	0.14 INCHES IN 1963
LONG CREEK, OR	0.12 INCHES	0.11 INCHES IN 1982

ON FEBRUARY 7, 2008:

LOCATION	NEW RECORD	PREVIOUS RECORD
STANLEY, ID	0.27 INCHES	0.21 INCHES IN 1996

ON FEBRUARY 22, 2008:

LOCATION	NEW RECORD	PREVIOUS RECORD
WINNEMUCCA, NV	0.32 INCHES	0.31 INCHES IN 1919

TEMPERATURE SUMMARY

MONTHLY AVERAGE TEMPERATURES FOR MOST LOCATIONS WERE GENERALLY A DEGREE OR TWO OF FEBRUARY NORMALS. COOL WEATHER EARLY IN THE GAVE WAY TO OCCASIONALLY SPRINGLIKE TEMPERATURES IN LATE FEBRUARY ESPECIALLY FOR WASHINGTON AND OREGON. HOWEVER CLEAR SKIES OFTEN ALLOWED TEMPERATURES TO FALL SHARPLY OVERNIGHT, COMPENSATING FOR ABOVE NORMAL DAYTIME HIGH TEMPERATURES. THIS WAS ESPECIALLY THE CASE IN GREAT BASIN LOCATIONS, SUCH AS SOUTHEASTERN OREGON AND NORTH NEVADA. BURNS AND ELKO WERE BOTH MORE THAN 5 DEGREES BELOW AVERAGE FOR THE MONTH. THE WASHINGTON CASCADES AND WESTERN MONTANA WERE WARMEST COMPARED TO NORMAL, WITH SOME LOCATIONS REPORTING MONTHLY AVERAGES 3-5 DEGREES ABOVE NORMAL.

THE 31 STATION TEMPERATURE INDEX FOR THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST DEPARTED +1.2 DEGREES FROM NORMAL RELATIVE TO THE 1971-2000 NORMALS. MONTHLY TEMPERATURE DEPARTURES RANGED FROM -5.7 TO 5.1 DEGREES.

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST SUMMARIZING SOME OF THE TEMPERATURE RECORDS BROKEN DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2008:

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RECORD HIGH TEMPERATURES (DEGREES F) TIED OR BROKEN IN FEBRUARY

ON FEBRUARY 10, 2008:

LOCATION	NEW RECORD	PREVIOUS RECORD
CHIEF JOSEPH DAM, WA	50 (T)	50 SET IN 1967

ON FEBRUARY 18, 2008:

LOCATION	NEW RECORD	PREVIOUS RECORD
QUILLAYUTE, WA	60	56 SET IN 2005
SEATTLE, WA	57	55 SET IN 2005

ON FEBRUARY 29, 2008:

LOCATION	NEW RECORD	PREVIOUS RECORD
SEATTLE, WA	61	57 SET IN 1992

NO NEW RECORD LOW TEMPERATURES WERE SET IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

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